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- Alexander Vasiljevich Kliukin, a Soviet road technician who escaped across the Soviet-Norwegian border into Norway on 19 October 1951, was born on 1 April 1924 in Finnish Karelia, and before his departure from the USSR was a resident of Petrosavodsk.
- When Kliukin was first taken into custody by Norwegian authorities, he stated that he was a political refugee, and that he desired to go to Stockholm, where he hoped to contact Alexander Timofejev of the Russian Refugee Relief Association. | Kliukin later admitted that he had been sent on a special mission, and was due to return to the Soviet Union within one month. Kliukin had no passport with him, but he was carrying Soviet identification papers and two letters. One of these letters was from Kliukin's father, to be delivered to Timofejev in Stockholm, the other was to an unidentified woman in Finland. After delivering the second letter, Kliukin was to return to the USSR.
- 3. Kliukin stated to Norwegian authorities that many conditions in northern Russia are unbearable.

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